

**REMARKS**

Upon entry of the foregoing amendment, Claims 1-3 and 6-9 are pending in this application. The Examiner rejected Claims 1-3 and 7-9 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b), rejected Claims 4-6 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a), and indicated that Claim 10 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Claim 1 has been amended to incorporate the recitation of Claims 4, 5, and 10, and Claims 4, 5, and 10 have been cancelled. Claims 2-3 and 6-9 depend directly or indirectly from amended Claim 1. Accordingly, Claims 1-3 and 6-9 are now in condition for allowance.

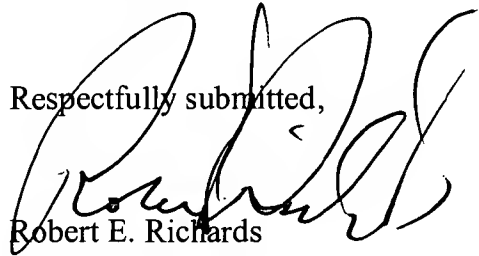
**Comments on the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for  
Indicating Allowable Subject Matter**

Regarding cancelled Claim 10, the recitation of which has been incorporated in independent Claim 1, the Examiner indicated reasons for indicating allowable subject matter. The Applicant agrees with the Examiner's statement only to the extent that it is consistent with the record as a whole. To the extent that the record as a whole is clear and complete, it shall control the interpretation of any and all claims.

**CONCLUSION**

The foregoing is submitted as a complete response to the Office Action identified above. This application should now be in condition for allowance, and the Applicant solicits a notice to that effect. If there are any issues that can be addressed by telephone, the Examiner is asked to contact the undersigned at 404.745.2408.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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**Second Response**  
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